

1. A method for providing page description language (“PDL”) encapsulated image data from an imaging device that includes a scanner, the method comprising:
  - scanning an image using the scanner to produce image data;
  - obtaining document formatting inputs;
  - encapsulating the image data in a page description language using the document formatting inputs for document formatting, wherein the encapsulating occurs at the imaging device; and
  - transmitting the page description language to a computing device from the imaging device.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a control panel on the imaging device.
3. The method of claim 1, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a local user interface.
4. The method of claim 1, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a remote user interface.
5. The method of claim 1, wherein the image data is encapsulated in the page description language such that the image is framed into a document.
6. The method of claim 1, wherein the imaging device is a multi-function peripheral.
7. The method of claim 1, wherein the document formatting inputs comprise a page size input, a scale input, a placement input, a pagination input, a number of images per page input, a page order input, a document style input, a post collation operations input, a page delimitation input, an orientation input and a margins input.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein the imaging device comprises a multi-function peripheral, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a control panel on the multi-function peripheral and wherein the control panel is also used for a user input for a copy function of the multi-function peripheral.
9. The method of claim 1, wherein the page description language is a language selected from the group consisting of a portable document format (PDF), postscript (PS), printer control language (PCL), HP GL/2, IBM IPDS, IBM SCS, Epson EscP and DDIF.
10. The method of claim 1, wherein the page description language comprises document wide properties, page delimitation properties, page properties and one or more drawing elements.
11. An imaging device that comprises a scanner, wherein the imaging device provides page description language ("PDL") encapsulated image data, the imaging device comprising:
  - a processor for control of the imaging device;
  - memory in electronic communication with the processor;
  - a scanner in electronic communication with the processor;
  - a control panel for operation of the imaging device by a user, wherein the control panel is in electronic communication with the processor for receiving user inputs; and
  - executable instructions executable by the processor, wherein the executable instructions are configured to implement a method comprising:
    - scanning an image using the scanner to produce image data;
    - obtaining document formatting inputs from the control panel; and
    - encapsulating the image data in a page description language using the document formatting inputs for document formatting, wherein the encapsulating occurs at the imaging device.

12. The imaging device of claim 11, wherein the image data is encapsulated in the page description language such that the image is framed into a document.
13. The imaging device of claim 11, wherein the document formatting inputs comprise a page size input, a scale input, a placement input, a pagination input, a number of images per page input, a page order input, a document style input, a post collation operations input, a page delimitation input, an orientation input and a margins input.
14. The imaging device of claim 11, wherein the imaging device is a multi-function peripheral imaging device that further comprises a printer in electronic communication with the processor, and wherein the control panel is also used for a user input for a copy function of the multi-function peripheral imaging device.
15. The imaging device of claim 11, wherein the page description language is a language selected from the group consisting of a portable document format (PDF), postscript (PS), printer control language (PCL), HP GL/2, IBM IPDS, IBM SCS, Epson EscP and DDIF.
16. The imaging device of claim 11, wherein the page description language comprises document wide properties, page delimitation properties, page properties and one or more drawing elements.
17. A computer-readable medium for storing program data, wherein the program data comprises executable instructions for implementing a method in a computing device for providing page description language ("PDL") encapsulated image data from an imaging device that includes a scanner, the method comprising:
  - obtaining image data at an imaging device;
  - obtaining document formatting inputs;
  - encapsulating the image data in a page description language using the document formatting inputs for document formatting, wherein the encapsulating occurs at the imaging device; and

transmitting the page description language to a computing device from the imaging device.

18. The computer-readable medium of claim 17, wherein the image data is obtained from a scanner of the imaging device.

19. The computer-readable medium of claim 18, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a control panel on the imaging device.

20. The computer-readable medium of claim 18, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a local user interface.

21. The computer-readable medium of claim 18, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a remote user interface.

22. The computer-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the image data is encapsulated in the page description language such that the image is framed into a document.

23. The computer-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the imaging device is a multi-function peripheral.

24. The computer-readable medium of claim 19, wherein the document formatting inputs comprise a page size input, a scale input, a placement input, a pagination input, a number of images per page input, a page order input, a document style input, a post collation operations input, a page delimitation input, an orientation input and a margins input.

25. The computer-readable medium of claim 17, wherein the imaging device comprises a multi-function peripheral, wherein the document formatting inputs are obtained from a control panel on

the multi-function peripheral and wherein the control panel is also used for a user input for a copy function of the multi-function peripheral.

26. The computer-readable medium of claim 17, wherein the page description language is a language selected from the group consisting of a portable document format (PDF), postscript (PS), printer control language (PCL), HP GL/2, IBM IPDS, IBM SCS, Epson EscP and DDIF.

27. The computer-readable medium of claim 17, wherein the page description language comprises document wide properties, page delimitation properties, page properties and one or more drawing elements.